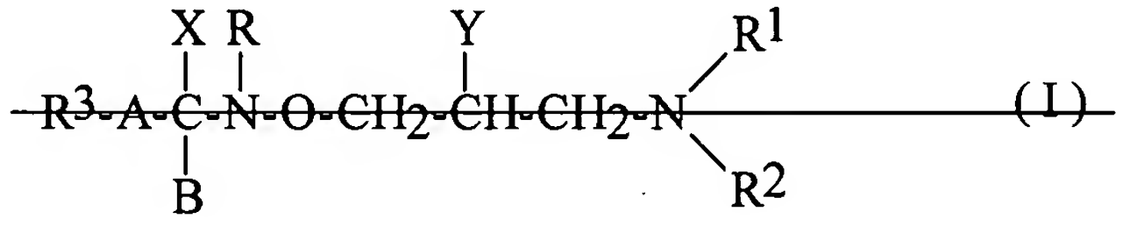
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition having antitumor activity with reduced side effect(s) comprising an effective amount of a known active substance having antitumor effect selected from the group consisting of pyrimidine derivatives or, optionally, a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof, and an effective amount of O-(3-piperidino-2-hydroxy-1-propyl)nicotinic acid amidoxime ~~a hydroximic acid derivative of the formula I~~



~~wherein~~

~~R^1 represents a hydrogen atom or a C_{1-5} alkyl group,~~

~~R^2 stands for a hydrogen atom, a C_{1-5} alkyl group, a C_{3-8} cycloalkyl group or a phenyl group optionally substituted by a hydroxy or a phenyl group, or~~

~~R^1 and R^2 together with the nitrogen atom they are attached to form a 5 to 8 membered ring optionally containing one or more further nitrogen, oxygen or sulfur atom(s) and said ring can be condensed with another alicyclic or heterocyclic ring, furthermore optionally the nitrogen and/or sulfur heteroatom(s) are present in the form of an oxide or dioxide,~~

~~R^3 means a hydrogen atom, a phenyl group, a naphthyl group or a pyridyl group wherein said groups can be substituted by one or more halo atom(s) or C_{1-4} alkoxy group(s),~~

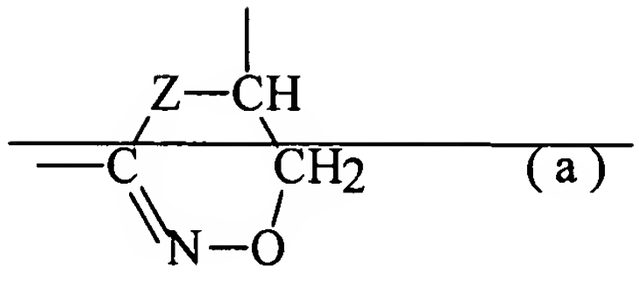
~~Y is a hydrogen atom, a hydroxy group, a C_{1-24} alkoxy group optionally substituted by an amino group, a C_{2-24} polyalkenyloxy group containing 1 to 6 double bond(s), a C_{1-25} alkanoyl group, a C_{3-9} alkenoyl group or a group of the formula R^7-COO-~~

~~wherein R^7 represents a C_{2-30} polyalkenyl group containing 1 to 6 double bond(s),~~

~~X stands for a halo atom, an amino group, a C_{1-4} alkoxy group or~~

~~X forms with B an oxygen atom, or~~

~~X and Y together with the carbon atom they are attached to and the $-NR-O-CH_2-$ group being between said carbon atoms form a ring of the formula a~~



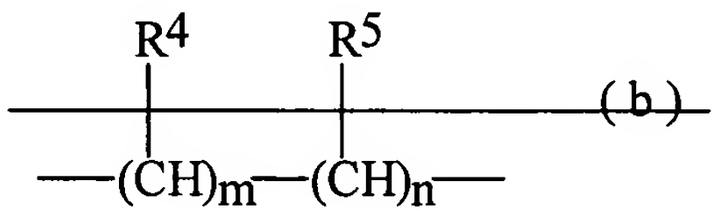
~~wherein~~

~~Z represents an oxygen atom or a nitrogen atom,~~

~~R stands for a hydrogen atom or~~

~~R forms with B a chemical bond,~~

~~A is a C_{1-4} alkylene group or a chemical bond or a group of the formula b~~



~~wherein~~

~~R^4 represents a hydrogen atom, a C_{1-5} alkyl group, a C_{3-8} cycloalkyl group or a phenyl group optionally substituted by a halo atom, a C_{1-4} alkoxy group or a C_{1-5} alkyl group,~~

~~R^5 stands for a hydrogen atom, a C_{1-4} alkyl group or a phenyl group,~~

~~m has a value of 0, 1 or 2,~~

~~n has a value of 0, 1 or 2,~~

or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof in admixture with one or more conventional carrier(s),

wherein the antitumor activity is against tumors sensitive to the combination.

Claim 2. (Canceled).

Claim 3. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 1, comprising fluorouracil or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof as the active substance having antitumor activity.

Claims 4-5. (Canceled).

Claim 6. (Currently Amended) A method for reducing the side effect(s) following the administration of ~~in a patient requiring a treatment for a tumor comprising administering~~ an effective amount of a known active substance having antitumor effect selected from the group consisting of pyrimidine derivatives or, optionally, a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof in a patient comprising the step of

co-administering ~~and~~ an effective non-toxic amount of O-(3-piperidino-2-hydroxy-1-propyl)nicotinic acid amidoxime ~~a hydroximic acid derivative of the formula I, wherein R^1, R^2, R^3, A, X, B, R and~~

~~Y are as defined in Claim 1,~~ or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof to the patient, ~~and~~

wherein ~~said tumor is sensitive to said active substance; and~~ the administration of the O-(3-piperidino-2-hydroxy-1-propyl)nicotinic acid amidoxime ~~hydroximic acid derivative~~ or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof reduces the drug-induced side effects experienced by the patient requiring treatment for a tumor.

Claim 7. (Currently Amended) A method as claimed in claim 6, wherein said active substance is fluorouracil or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof~~, and said hydroximic acid derivative is O-(3-piperidino-2-hydroxy-1-propyl)-nicotinic amidoxime or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof~~.

Claims 8-10. (Canceled).

Claim 11. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 1, comprising floxuridine or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof as the active substance having antitumor activity.

Claim 12. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 1, comprising idoxuridine or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof as the active substance having antitumor activity.

Claim 13. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 1, comprising doxifluridine ~~doxifluiridine~~ or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof as the active substance having antitumor activity.

Claim 14. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 1, comprising cytarabine or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof as the active substance having antitumor activity.

Claim 15. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 1, comprising gemcitabine or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof as the active substance having antitumor activity.

Claim 16. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 1, comprising ancitabine or a

pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof as the active substance having antitumor activity.

Claim 17. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 1, comprising carmofur or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof as the active substance having antitumor activity.

Claim 18. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 1, comprising tegafur or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof as the active substance having antitumor activity.

Claim 19. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition having antitumor activity with reduced side effect(s) comprising an enhanced effective amount of fluorouracil or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof and O-(3-piperidino-2-hydroxy-1-propyl)nicotinic amidoxime or a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt thereof, wherein said antitumor activity is against tumors sensitive to said composition.

Claim 20. (Canceled).